

PROPOSED MASSAGE ORDINANCE DRAFT INFORMATION

Recently, there have been alleged illegal activities, including prostitution, occurring on certain premises commonly known as “massage centers” and located within the City of Rochester. The City’s current “Massage Parlor” ordinance is outdated and ineffective in assisting law enforcement in its effort to enforce state prostitution laws. In response, the Rochester City Council has directed City staff to revise the City’s massage ordinance, to allow the public to comment on the draft ordinances and to schedule a public hearing when the Council considers the ordinances. City staff has completed its draft of new massage ordinances and they are:

1. [Chapter 115A](#) regulates massage businesses - and
2. [Chapter 115B](#) regulates those who provide massage services

The City Council will consider these ordinance drafts at a public hearing to be held at 7:00 P.M on Monday, October 17, 2011 in the City Council Chambers located in the Government Center at 151 4th Street SE in Rochester. Interested persons are invited to attend the public hearing and/or may also provide written comment by submitting an e-mail using [this link](#).